

shall continue to be used for wildlife conservation or other of the above-stated purposes and in the event it is no longer used for such purposes or in the event it is needed for national defense purposes title thereto shall revert to the United States.

SEC. 2. Whenever any real property is transferred pursuant to this Act, the War Assets Administrator shall make and have published in the Federal Register an appropriate order, which may be revised from time to time in like manner, designating for which of the purposes specified in section 1 of this Act the property so transferred shall be used.

Publication in Federal Register.

SEC. 3. A statement of the acreage and value of such property as may have been transferred pursuant to this Act during the preceding fiscal year shall be annually prepared by the War Assets Administrator and shall be included in the annual budget transmitted to the Congress.

Statement of acreage and value.

Approved May 19, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 311]

##### AN ACT

To amend the Immigration Act of 1924, as amended.

May 19, 1948

[H. R. 5137]

[Public Law 538]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That subsection (a) of section 4 of the Immigration Act of May 26, 1924, as amended (8 U. S. C. 204 (a)), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Immigration Act of 1924, amendment. 43 Stat. 155.

“(a) An immigrant who is the unmarried child under twenty-one years of age, or the wife, or the husband, of a citizen of the United States: *Provided*, That the marriage shall have occurred prior to issuance of visa and in the case of husbands of citizens, prior to January 1, 1948.”

SEC. 2. Section 6 (a) (1) (A) of the Immigration Act of May 26, 1924, as amended (8 U. S. C. 206 (a) (1) (A)), is hereby amended to read as follows:

45 Stat. 1009.

“(A) Quota immigrants who are the fathers or the mothers of citizens of the United States who are twenty-one years of age or over, or who are the husbands of citizens of the United States by marriages occurring on or after January 1, 1948”.

Approved May 19, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 312]

##### AN ACT

To extend the time within which application for the benefits of the Mustering-Out Payment Act of 1944 may be made by veterans discharged from the armed forces before the effective date of such Act.

May 19, 1948

[H. R. 5805]

[Public Law 539]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3 of the Mustering-Out Payment Act of 1944, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, Supp. V, title 38, sec. 691c), is amended by striking out “within two years after the date of enactment of this Act” and inserting in lieu thereof “not later than February 3, 1950”.

58 Stat. 9.  
38 U. S. C. § 691c.

Approved May 19, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 313]

##### AN ACT

To permit the temporary free importation of racing shells, and increasing the amount of exemptions allowed for personal purchases abroad.

May 19, 1948

[H. R. 5933]

[Public Law 540]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the duty on

Racing shells.

46 Stat. 630.  
19 U. S. C. § 1001,  
par. 412.

46 Stat. 683.  
19 U. S. C. § 1201,  
par. 1798.

Exemption on cer-  
tain purchases abroad.

Sale of articles.

Six-month limita-  
tion.

Effective date.

imported racing shells imposed by paragraph 412 of the Tariff Act of 1930 shall be suspended until January 1, 1949.

SEC. 2. (a) Paragraph 1798 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, is hereby amended by inserting, after the sixth proviso, the following: "*Provided further*, That in addition to the exemption authorized by the fourth preceding proviso, a returning resident who has remained beyond the territorial limits of the United States for a period of not less than twelve days, shall be permitted to bring into the United States up to but not exceeding \$300 in value of articles (excluding distilled spirits, wines, malt liquors and cigars) acquired abroad by such resident of the United States as an incident of the foreign journey for personal or household use or as souvenirs or curios, but not bought on commission or intended for sale, free of duty: *Provided further*, That any subsequent sale, within three years after the date of the arrival of such returning resident in the United States, of articles acquired and brought into the United States pursuant to the provisions of the immediately preceding proviso shall subject the returning resident declaring the articles to double the import duty which would have been collected had this additional exemption not been in effect: *Provided further*, That the additional exemption authorized by the second preceding proviso shall apply only to articles declared in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury by such returning resident who has not taken advantage of the said exemption within the six-month period immediately preceding his return to the United States:."

(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall be effective with respect to articles declared on or after the day following the date of enactment of this Act.

Approved May 19, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 324]

#### AN ACT

To provide for regulation of certain insurance rates in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.—In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"District." "District" means the District of Columbia.

"Superintendent." "Superintendent" means the Superintendent of Insurance of the District of Columbia.

"Insurance." "Insurance" includes (but is not limited to) fidelity, surety, and guaranty bonds.

"Company." "Company" means any insurer, whether stock, mutual, reciprocal, interinsurer, Lloyd's, or any other form or group of insurers.

"Policy." "Policy" means an insurance policy or contract as defined by Public Law 824, Seventy-sixth Congress, approved October 9, 1940.

"Agent." "Agent" means and shall include any individual, copartnership, or corporation acting in the capacity of or licensed as a "policy-writing agent", "soliciting agent", or "salaried company employee" as defined by the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the regulation of the business of fire, marine, and casualty insurance, and for other purposes", approved October 9, 1940.

SEC. 2. SCOPE OF ACT.—This Act shall apply to all forms of casualty, motor vehicle, explosion, sprinkler leakage, and inland marine insurance in the District and to all forms of insurance within the scope of said Act approved October 9, 1940, except those forms of insurance not enumerated herein which are within the scope of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the regulation of certain insurance rates in the

May 20, 1948

[H. R. 3908]

[Public Law 541]

Insurance rates,  
D. C.

"District."

"Superintendent."

"Insurance."

"Company."

"Policy."

54 Stat. 1064.

D. C. Code §§ 35-1303.

"Agent."

54 Stat. 1065.

D. C. Code § 35-1303.

54 Stat. 1063.

D. C. Code §§ 35-1301 to 35-1350.